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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Application No. 09/823,528 Filing Date March 30, 2001 First Named Inventor Han-Ming Wu Art Unit 7163 Examiner Name Ram N. Kackar Attorney Docket No. 042390.P10627
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See instruction sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.
 Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 – Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
Previously submitted If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
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 Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 i. [X] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) ii. [] Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) iii. [] Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) for Limited Suspension of Action iv. [] Other
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 19, 2004, applicants respectfully request that the following amendment and remarks be considered. A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith.

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I hereby certify that I am causing this paper or fee to be deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service on the date indicated above and that this paper or fee has been addressed to the Box RCE, Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22414-1450.

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